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REMARKS

Claims 2, 4-9, 12-18 and 21-24 are currently pending. By this Amendment, claims 2, 4, 5, 9, 12, 13, 16, 17, and 22 are amended, claims 1, 3, 10, and 11 are cancelled, 19 and 20 were previously cancelled. Applicant reserves the right to file a continuing application directed to the subject matter of these cancelled claims. No new matter is added. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement in view of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

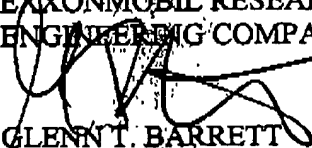
Applicant appreciates the allowance of claims 7, 8, 14 and 15. Applicant further appreciates the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 22-24. In response, claim 22 is rewritten in independent form. Claims 23 and 24 depend from claim 22. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 22-24 are now in condition for allowance. Claims 2, 4, 5, and 9 are amended to depend from allowable claim 22 such that claims 2, 4-6, 9, 10 and 21 depend from allowable claim 22. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 2, 4-6, 9, 10 and 21 are in condition for allowance. Claims 12 and 13 are amended to depend from allowable claim 14. Claims 16 and 17 are amended to depend from allowable claim 15. Claims 16-18 now depend from allowable claim 15.

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Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are allowable over the prior art cited of record. Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the application. Should any issues remain, applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner contact applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below to resolve any such issues. Please charge any fees associated with the submission of this paper to Deposit Account Number 05-1330.

Respectfully Submitted,

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